Integrated sewerage project for Bhubaneswar

1343. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Centre has approved the Detailed Project Report of Orissa Government on integrated sewerage project for Bhubaneswar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Centre has also approved conservation and management of the historic Bindusagar Lake close to the Lingaraj Temple;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether these are centrally funded projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b), Yes, Sir. A project titled 'Integrated Sewerage Project' has been approved for Bhubaneshwar under Sewerage sector by Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee in its meeting held on 22.2.07 at an approved cost of Rs. 49891.35 lakh. Central share committed for this project is Rs. 39913.08 lakh (being- 80%). Out of this, a sum of Rs. 5158.40 lakh has been released towards first instalment on 24.04.07. The implementation period of this project is 48 months.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. A project titled 'Conservation of the Heritage Tank of Bindusagar' has also been approved for Bhubaneshwar under 'Urban Renewal Sector' by Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee in its meeting held on 9.02.07 at an approved cost of Rs. 601.31. lakh. Central share Committed for this project is Rs. 481.04 lakh (being 80%). Out of this, a sum of Rs. 120.26 lakh has been released towards first instalment on 7.3.07. The implementation period of this project is 24 months.

(e) No, Sir. These are not entirely centrally funded projects and only, 80 percent of the approved cost is provided as Additional Central Assistance as central share.

Energy Efficient Buildings

1344. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI HARISH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the elements of recent guidelines issued by Government for energy efficient buildings;

(b) whether adherence to such guidelines is mandatory;

(c) whether Government have ascertained if adherence to such guidelines is likely to increase the existing cost of housing;

(d) whether Government propose to implement same guidelines in the existing Government residential colonies;

(e) if so, the cost of such alterations; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Ministry of Power have issued Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) for new commercial buildings having a connected load of 500 KW or above, has been launched. The major components of the building which are being addressed through this Code are walls, roofs and windows; lighting system; air-conditioning system;electrical distribution system; and water heating and pumping system.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) The Energy Conservation Building Code is intended for new commercial buildings only and not applicable for residential buildings.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) The ECBC has been framed for addressing the energy performance standards for new commercial buildings and therefore, are not applicable to residential buildings.

Budgetary provision for MMRDA

1345. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) has been provided with a budgetary provision of Rs.2,444 crore that would undertake several infrastructure and development projects in Greater Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details of the projects that would be undertaken out of these funds allotted during 2007-08;

(c) whether MMRDA, which is a nodal agency implementing infrastructure development projects in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, proposes to construct a new rail link between Bandra and Kurla to provide a direct link between the central and western railway corridors; and

(d) if so, by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.